

In the Claims:

1-123. (Canceled).

124. (Currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising:

- (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) ~~a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20);~~
- (d) ~~a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20), lacking its associated signal peptide;~~
- (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:19);
- ~~(f)~~(d) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:19); or
- ~~(g)~~(e) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209792.

125. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 124 comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20).

126. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 124 comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:20), lacking its associated signal peptide.

127-128. Canceled.

129. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 124 comprising the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:19).

130. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 124 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:19).

131. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 124 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209792.
- 132-134. Canceled.
135. (Presently amended) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 124 ~~119~~.
136. (Previously presented) The vector of Claim 135, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
137. (Previously presented) A host cell comprising the vector of Claim 135.
138. (Previously presented) The host cell of Claim 137, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an *E. coli* or a yeast cell.